I hereby certify that on May 20, 2011, this correspondence is being submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office via the Office Electronic Filing System in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.6(a)(4), addressed to Mail Stop RCE,

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PATENT

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Commissioner:

Attached are the following:

- 1. Request for Continued Examination with an electronic authorization to charge the below-identified Deposit Account for the corresponding RCE fee:
- 2. Amendment and Response with Request for Continued Examination Under CFR § 1.114 (pages 1-32; in which no new claims have been added -- resulting in no additional claim fees);

The Decision on Appeal dated March 22, 2011 for the above-identified application set a two-month period of time in which to respond, namely, by May 22, 2011, a Sunday. It is respectfully submitted that this Amendment and Response and the concurrently-filed RCE are timely filed within the two-month period set by the Office Action because they are filed before the expiration of May 23, 2011, the first business day following the May 22, 2011 date.

Even so, the Commissioner is hereby authorized, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3), to treat any concurrent or future reply or correspondence for the above-

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identified application, requiring a petition for an extension, or a further extension, of time for its timely submission, as incorporating a constructive petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21, including any required extension fees or any underpayment of fees, which may be required during the pendency of this application, to Deposit Account No. 501574. Please show our docket number (PSTM0015/MRK) with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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